



EFK

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Trent WEST Confirmation No.: 8650  
Application No.: 10/633,584 Group Art Unit: 3726  
Filing Date: August 5, 2003 Examiner: Eric B. Compton  
For: METHODS OF MAKING TUNGSTEN Attorney Docket No.: 81876-4094  
CARBIDE-BASED ANNULAR  
JEWELRY RINGS

**REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED ISSUANCE OF PATENT**

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The issue fee for the above-identified application was paid on August 3, 2005. Since more than six months have passed since the payment of the issue fee, it is respectfully requested that the Patent Office expedite issuance of the patent. There is no other action pending in this application other than to place several references in the file.

No fee is believed to be required. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.

Respectfully submitted,

3/16/06  
Date

Jeffrey A. Wolfson  
Jeffrey A. Wolfson (Reg. No. 42,234)

WINSTON & STRAWN LLP  
Customer No. 28765

(202) 371-5770